

REMARKS

The above amendments to the above-captioned application along with the following remarks are being submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated March 4, 2008. In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, the Examiner is respectfully requested to give due reconsideration to this application, to indicate the allowability of the claims, and to pass this case to issue.

Status of the Claims

As outlined above, claims 1-2 and 4-6 stand for consideration in this application, wherein claim 6 is being amended.

Additional Amendments

The specification is being amended. All amendments to the application are fully supported therein. Applicants hereby submit that no new matter is being introduced into the application through the submission of this response.

Formal Objections

Specification

The Specification was objected to as failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the claimed subject matter.

As suggested by the Examiner, the specification is being amended so as to provide proper antecedent basis for the inventive subject matter as recited in the claims. Accordingly, withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

Claim

Claim 6 was objected to on the grounds of informalities.

Claim 6 is being amended as suggested by the Examiner. Accordingly, withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for holding that allowable subject matter has been indicated. As set forth above, Applicants respectfully submit that all formal requirements are met. Accordingly, allowance of claims 1-2 and 4-6 are respectfully solicited.

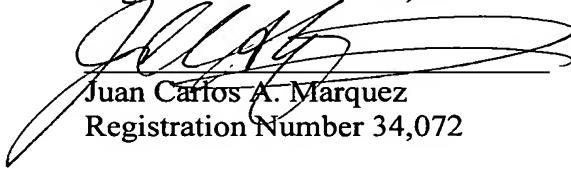
Conclusion

In light of the above Amendments and Remarks, Applicants respectfully request early and favorable action with regard to the present application, and a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims is earnestly solicited.

Favorable reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

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